



Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

The wording of Section 22 VAC 30-50-30 is being changed to conform to section 51.5-12.2 of the Code of Virginia, which was amended in 2002. The current regulation states that 50% of the moneys in the fund shall be allocated for research and 50% shall be allocated for community-based rehabilitation programs. This amendment will change the wording to state that forty-seven and one-half percent shall be allocated for research, forty-seven and one-half percent shall be allocated for rehabilitative services, and five percent shall be allocated for the Department of Rehabilitative Services' cost for administering and staffing the Commonwealth Neurotrauma Initiative Advisory Board.

Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.

The proposed regulations will not have any negative impact on the family and family stability. The regulations to administer the CNI Trust Fund are essential to the integrity of this program and to protect the health and safety of Virginians. The CNI Trust Fund is an unprecedented program in Virginia designed to promote medical research into traumatic brain and spinal cord injury and to provide treatment and care for Virginians who have sustained such injury. Moneys in the CNI Trust Fund shall be used solely to support grants for Virginia-based organizations, institutions and researchers for research on the mechanisms and treatment of neurotrauma and rehabilitative services and to support administrative costs associated with the CNI Advisory Board.